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Huntsman Names General Counsel

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—Governor-elect Jon Huntsman, Jr. today named Michael Lee as General Counsel to the Governor. Mr. Lee currently serves as an Assistant U.S. Attorney.

“Mike is an exceptional talent with a deep understanding and respect for the law. The State of Utah will be well served by Mike’s talent and experience,” Huntsman said.

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BACKGROUND

Michael S. Lee received his bachelor’s degree in Political Science from Brigham Young University in 1994, after serving as BYU’s Student Body President during the 1993-94 school year. He received his law degree from BYU’s J. Reuben Clark Law School, where he served on the law review and graduated *magna cum laude* in 1997.

After law school, Mr. Lee served two consecutive judicial clerkships, first with Judge Dee V. Benson of the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah, and then with Judge Samuel A. Alito, Jr., of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Following his clerkships, Mr. Lee joined the Washington, D.C. office of Sidley & Austin, a Chicago-based national law firm. While at Sidley, he developed an expertise in appellate litigation, representing a wide variety of corporate, non-profit, and governmental clients in cases pending before various appellate courts throughout the country, including the U.S. Supreme Court.

Mr. Lee returned to Utah in October 2002 after accepting an appointment as an Assistant U.S. Attorney. In that position, Mr. Lee has represented the United States in criminal matters pending before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

Mike and his wife Sharon have three children, and currently reside in Cedar Hills, Utah.